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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Masaaki Yamanaka et al. **EXAMINER:** Kruer, Kevin R.
SERIAL NO.: 08/855,905 **GROUP ART UNIT:** 1773
FILED: May 14, 1997 **DATED:** May 12, 2006
FOR: SYNTHETIC PAPER MADE OF
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PETITION TO SUSPEND ACTION OF OFFICE

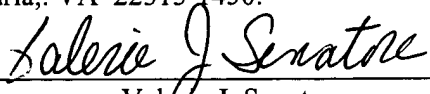
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) - *Limited Suspension of Action After a Request for Continued Application (RCE) under § 1.114*, it is respectfully requested that the Office grant a suspension of action for three months in the above-referenced application. This Petition is being filed concurrently with a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and a check to cover the required fee for the RCE. In addition, this request is being filed with a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the processing fee for this Petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(i).

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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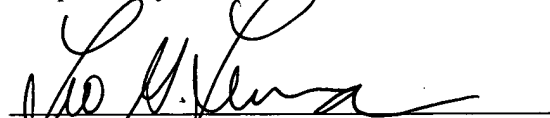
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As stated above, the Applicants respectfully request, by this Petition, that the Office suspend action on the above-referenced application for a period of three months so additional comparative testing and analysis can be completed by the Applicants between the claimed invention and the closest cited prior art as suggested by the Board in the Decision on Appeal and in the Decision on the Request for Rehearing.

Accordingly, for these reasons, it is respectfully requested that the Petition be granted and action suspended in the above-reference application for a period of three (3) months. A check in the amount of \$130.00 for the petition fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) is enclosed.

If the Examiner has any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned attorney at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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